

CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL.

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 1:14.

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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OUR OBLIGATIONS

And What They Are Worth to Ourselves, to Others and to God.

The Influence of a Favor, and to What Extent We Should Obligate Ourselves to Others.

As we are in the last days and the very time when Paul's prophecy is to be fulfilled, it is certainly important that we give some attention to the subject of obligations. In Paul's prophecy about the last days, among other things he declares that there shall be truce-breakers. It is evident according to this prophecy that there shall not only be a general tendency in this direction, but it shall be a prevailing curse over the whole world.

It might be well to explain a little more clearly the meaning of the term. The word, "truce-breaker" means simply the breaking of an engagement, or violating a covenant, or breaking a contract. To be a truce-breaker one would regard his obligations as of little worth. And if he promised to pay a bill or meet a person at a certain time and place and then fail to do so without any reasonable excuse, his obligation would be broken; he would be a truce-breaker.

Now Paul says this is to be a prevailing epidemic in the last days. Then we conclude that the demon powers will be so oppressive, and wield such an influence, that even those who are honest and sincere will be more or less effected by it. We only have to call attention to a few things to convince the people that we are now under this mighty curse.

A man will come to you and borrow twenty-five cents and promise to pay it back the next Saturday evening. That Saturday passes and a hundred more and still never a word about the twenty-five cents. The same is true of larger amounts. This principle today is so imbibed in the human race that business men will scarcely count a man's word of any value. Store keepers have in many instances lost all confidence in Christianity because they have noticed so frequently that many professing Christians seemed to regard their

promises or obligations of so little value. They promise to pay at a certain time, and plead their poverty and touch the sympathy of the big hearted merchant by telling them of their wives and children suffering for food. Then when the time comes to pay they take their money and spend it at another store or in some way to get rid of it and never show themselves to the first merchant.

We only need to briefly mention the thousands of divorce cases that are listed every year, for that curse is so popular that nothing scarcely is thought of it when a husband and wife separate. They take the solemn obligation and promise to live together and love each other until death alone shall separate them, and then in a little while break their covenant just as flippantly and lightly as if there was nothing to it, and then live under a lie until death, and the Book plainly states what shall become of all liars.

Truce-breakers—covenant breakers—those who regard their obligations as nothing. The world is full of people of that kind and you know it. Then when such an awful influence of hellishness is bearing down upon the human race I'm sure that all will agree with me that it is time to consider our obligations and what they are worth to ourselves, to others and to God.

Every backslider from salvation that treads this earth is living under a falsehood and has broken the obligations taken upon himself at the time he was penitent and confessed Christ as His Savior. He promised his God that he would ever serve Him and obey His Word. But now he is back in gross sin and wickedness and a disgrace to the cause he once embraced.

If I should meet a thousand men promiscuously and ask each one personally if he regarded his obligations of any value, and if he were a

man of his word, it is very likely every one would answer emphatically in the affirmative, and before night probably half of that number would break some promise or fail to meet some obligation. This truce-breaking influence is stalking about fearlessly, robbing its millions of their chastity, virtue and honor. It steals into the homes of all classes of people and brings shame and disgrace upon its victims, and yet it is so common among all classes that it is entertained like a prince. Those who are caught in its cruel fangs hold their heads up and many times appear to be the most pious church members.

Now let us consider our own obligations; we all have them more or less, and they are of the utmost value if regarded in the proper light. When I accepted Christ I promised I would be His forever. It is a source of stimulation and joy to me now to know that I have ever kept that promise until this present time, although I didn't know what such a promise meant at that time. But because of the promise and the respect I had for my word, I have scaled the heights of spirituals that I otherwise would have rejected. The price was high when it was counted, but I said I would pay it, and thus I was led over territory that I would never have trod. It has been good to me to promise God. I'm sure it has been for others who have kept their word and paid the price the day it was due.

Keeping my promise to God and never backsliding and then paying the price at the gate of every new experience, has not only been good to me and good for me but the influence of such a life is bound to have an effect for good on those that know this to be true. I am really under the most binding obligations to my fellow men to be a living epistle, or book that can be read clear through with no leaves torn out nor any of this pages marred. This can only be in those who are free from that truce-breaking spirit that pervades the atmosphere of these last days.

It is true that when one betrays his trust and breaks his obligation it effects others

more or less. It not only mars the confidence of the onlookers of the truce-breaker himself, but their confidence is oftentimes shaken in the cause or concern he represents. One man by his ill behavior and crooked dealings can bring a blight upon the family name until all who bear the name will have to bear the reproach. This is especially true of religion. Let one man make a ship wreck and all who have hitherto been associated with him will be accused of possessing the same vile characteristics. On account of this it is certainly the more necessary that every one who bears the worthy name of Christ should hold to the obligation he took upon himself when he accepted the Savior.

The cost of redemption reveals something of the value placed upon the human race by the Lord who gave His Son for that purpose. The expression, God so loves the world that He gave His only begotten Son, shows the high estimate placed upon it. Then the whole human race is under the strongest obligations to God for his unmerited favor. When we consider the matter carefully, and note the efforts God has made for our redemption and eternal happiness, we can readily see that our obligations to Him when kept are of inestimable value. Then the obligations we take when we accept Christ should be regarded with the utmost sacredness.

It is truly sad to note with what levity many seem to take the obligation to become members of the Church of God. And to break such obligations seems to be only a light thing. They fail to realize that they promise to love each other and submit to one another in the fear of God. The younger sometimes forget they are to submit to the elder; and others, that they promise to obey those that have the rule over them; and many other points could be mentioned with the same weight.

When one bestows a favor upon us we usually feel under obligations to that one, and it is right that we should to an extent. Much more should we feel under obligations to God when he be-

stows such great favors upon us. The influence of a favor often goes a long way. People are often led to Christ because of some humble child of God lending them some assistance when they are in great need. We, as people of God, are more or less indebted to each other because of favors bestowed. But just to what extent we should be influenced by those favors depends upon the kind of influence and where it will lead us.

In going to a place to conduct a meeting I never wanted the people there to send me my fare. I was always afraid to trust myself under such conditions. I would always manage to get there without their help for fear that I might be influenced to an extent that would not be for the best for myself as well as for them. I want the favors of God. I always want to feel my dependence upon Him. I always appreciate the favors of the people but I do not want to become so obligated to them that it will in the least hinder the work of the Holy Spirit in me. So long as a favor from a person does not take the form of a bribe they should be appreciated, but the moment it assumes the appearance of a bribe it should be rejected. O Lord, give us wisdom and understanding, so we can keep in the straight path.

Cleveland, Tenn.

Thank the Lord! have just returned from a trip to Somerset, Ky., where we spent a few weeks. There are all kinds of doctrine at this place but God did wonderfully help us in giving out his truth and the honest souls drank it down.

We set one church in order with twenty-eight members. Left brother John Catron in charge.

Several were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

Kentucky is a needy field, pray that God will bless the work there.

Yours under the blood,
W. F. Bryant,
2508 Gaut street.

"The whip is for the horse, the bridle for the ass, and the rod for the fool's back." Don't they hurt?—Lemons.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

The revival spirit at this place still prevails. Nineteen received into the church and the end is not seen yet. It is announced that there will be baptizing and communion services Sunday, June 6th.

The Wimauma, Fla., Camp meeting is now in the past. It was attended by the usual demonstrations and power of the Holy Ghost. It is said that there was an increase of attendance over that of previous meetings. People were saved from their sins, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, as usual. Beautiful harmony and fellowship prevailed.

Hope our friends will still press the battle and do all they can to increase the circulation of the Evangel. We very much appreciate all the assistance that has been rendered, but this is all for God's glory and all of us have an equal interest in speaking the joyful message, so all will receive their rewards according to their works. God bless you all.

Etowah, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Greetings in Jesus' name. I want to praise God for kindling the fire in my soul three years ago. I was saved and sanctified. I then saw the light on the baptism of the Holy Ghost and I began seeking and one night about one year ago, I was in my kitchen in secret prayer and the Lord baptized me with the Holy Ghost and the fire has been burning in my soul ever since. Glory to God!

I desire the prayers of the saints that I may go on and never bring any reproach on

this great movement for it is the way that Jesus went before us.

Your brother,
 J. C. S. Walker.

Rock Island, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the precious Holy Ghost. I am glad I am in this way. I intend to go all the way with Jesus, by His help and He has promised grace to help us stand and I am so glad. We have many temptations and the devil tries to discourage us and make us think we can't live for Jesus but praise his name, He never fails His children when we trust in Him. He always carries us through. I am so glad because He cares for His children when the storms come and the devil rages.

I praise God for sending brother Payne here to show us the light on the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The dear Lord showed me in the beginning of the meeting that it was for me. The devil would bring so many things to try to keep me from getting the baptism that I wrestled and prayed from the first of August till February 5th when God so sweetly filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost in one of our little prayer meetings. Bless His name.

We have four prayer meetings each week and we want your prayers that they may grow and prosper. The power falls in our prayer meetings and the Lord has His way.

Before I received my baptism I suffered very much head ache but since then I have been bothered only a very little. I feel good in my soul. I am trusting God for my soul and body.

It does my soul good to read the little Evangel. The testimonies of the children of God are so sweet. It is joy to my soul to know there are some that wants to go this way and are willing to go all the way with Jesus. I pray that God will bless those who are not willing to take all of the precious gospel and are refusing to follow Jesus all the way.

I am glad I was willing to go all the way with Jesus and I am more determined today to go on with Jesus and live for Him until He calls me above. Pray for me that I may be true to Him and do His will.

Your sister under the blood,
 Lena Ward.

Evansville, Ind.

Bro. Tomlinson and Saints:

I am praising the Lord for full and free salvation.

We arrived here on the night of May the 20th at 9:58 o'clock. Sr. Miller met us and took us to our rooms which were already furnished for us.

The next morning we were called to the sick room of a dear sister who had been suffering for two weeks. After we prayed and anointed her she arose from the bed dressed and ate dinner with us. She came over to the church which is about a half mile away, and she danced under the power of the Lord. She had not even sat up for two weeks. Her husband was astonished when he came home and found her gone and he came over to the meeting and found his wife there, whom he had left in bed that morning. Praise God, the fight is on in Indiana.

I want the saints to pray a special prayer for us here.

If any of the saints wish to correspond with us we would be glad to hear from them, as we are located here for a while.

Your brother,
 T. R. Austin,
 402 W. Maryland St.,
 Evansville, Ind.

Ft. Myers, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God for this wonderful salvation that reaches even me. Praise His dear name. I praise Him because one day He really convicted me of sin and picked me up out of the miry clay, saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost, with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance and set my feet on the solid rock, Christ Jesus, Praise His name. Jesus has done so much for me. I started not to go just part of the way and when the first hard trial comes go back, but I started to go all the way, and I know tonight that my name is written over yonder. We may have trials and persecutions here, but the trials are nothing to be compared to the glory that shall be revealed in us.

I praise Him for His wonderful healing power. He heals me when I am sick. I have not taken one drop of medicine since I have been in this way, which has been over four years, praise God. I am so glad I learned to trust Him.

This world has no charms for me, but my affections are set on things above. The

way grows brighter to me day by day.

Please pray for me that I may ever be faithful in doing His will.

Your sister in Jesus,
 Mrs. Lois Patterson.

Dayton, Tenn.

Dear Evangel Readers:

I want to sound a note of praise for what the Lord is doing for us here in Dayton, where I am a member of the dear old Church of God. Glory! I am so glad the Lord is working so wonderfully in this place.

We are delighted with our pastor, thank God. He has given us the Word ever since he has been here and we are taking the whole truth. Such love is abounding in our dear old church, such unity! Glory to God.

Our church certainly has been growing in the last ten days. Six have received the Holy Ghost, two saved and one sanctified. I can't explain just how good it is to be in this way. Three little girls received the baptism last week and when the power comes on them it is just grand to hear them speaking in tongues and dancing under the power of God. I feel like shouting now. Praise God. He is surely working at this place. We have services only on Sunday nights and on Wednesday nights but the Lord certainly blesses us then.

Pray for the work here.

Your brother,
 Tom McClendon.

Rome, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:

I am a member of the Church of God. I am praising God for a full and free salvation. I never heard of Holiness until three weeks ago. I began seeking the blessing the first sermon I heard for I was fully convinced that this was the right way to heaven.

I have been reading the Bible and I am surprised that I did not learn of holiness before for the Bible plainly teaches it. I am now sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I have a great many trials as some of the people here do not believe in holiness and I want the saints to pray for me. I am now fourteen years of age and I mean to spend the rest of my life in the service of the Lord.

Your sister in Christ,
 Gladys Corley.

Perry, Fla.

Greetings in Jesus' precious name.—My heart is overflowing with the divine love

It is wonderful how our Lord can save. I really feel the cleansing tide sweeping through my soul. I am glad I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. My children are all on the altar. He heals when we get sick, bless His great name.

I am glad I am not among the ones, who like Elijah (1 Kings 19:9) went down in the cave, but with God's help I am still climbing the mountain and expecting ere long to be at the top.

We want Brother Payne to come and hold a tent meeting here. Souls are dying for the want of the gospel.

Your sister under the blood,
 E. V. Woods.

High Point, N. C.

Brother A. J. Tomlinson:

Greetings in the precious name of Jesus. I am saved, sanctified, baptized and satisfied. Glory to God!

I have a daughter very sick with consumption and I want all of the saints to pray for her that the good Lord might heal her.

J. M. Brown.

Notice.

I am preparing to start with a new tent and want to go in some new fields. I will need a good evangelist to go with me so that I can leave him with the tent to continue the meetings while I am called off occasionally to assist the churches.

If any one desires this kind of work, please pray about it and if the Lord leads that way, correspond with me via 2524 Gaut St., Cleveland, Tenn.

Geo. T. Brouayer.

Harriman Tenn.

Great times and still greater coming. Congregations exceedingly large. Great interest manifested. Church revived, some reclaimed or converted. Nine baptized with the Holy Ghost. Amen. Hallelujah!

M. S. Lemons.

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SALVATION IS REAL

E. J. Boehmer

To be saved is something real and wonderful. It places us on ground where we hold communion with God and love His Word. The Bible speaks about it as passing from darkness into light, and then John comes along and says, "If we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, His son, cleanseth us from all sin." A real child of God has fellowship with Him, then the long Sundays are gone, but the good old Bible will be read and the new-born babe will desire the sincere milk of the word. Then, too, in the soul of the new-born babe will arise a hunger, a craving to be set free entirely from the fear of man and the fear of death. I have always believed and taught that the person who is genuinely saved will never oppose the doctrine of holiness when it is properly presented to him, but will take to it as hungry sheep to a green pasture. The heart of the true child of God is always hungering to be more like Christ and have more humility and love. To be saved according to God's word means much. People may pray, attend Bible class on Sunday and yet be destitute of the saving grace of God. To be saved separates us from the world and its pleasures—it looses its charm for us. If we be risen with him we will seek those things that are above.

It pays to get a good start in anything but especially in religion. One of the greatest blessings that can come to the human being is to get a real good glimpse of himself; when he does that it will work him into humility that will put him on grounds to be saved.

Saul of Tarsus went on blindly, yet believing he was doing the will of God, until the light shone round about him from heaven then he fell to the ground. Undoubtedly at that time he got a good glimpse of himself. This of course led him to pray: when God speaks it will take effect. Isaiah saw the Lord sitting upon a throne and heard the Seraphims say, "holy, holy, holy," and saw the house filled with smoke, then undoubtedly he realized there was something in him that needed removing, for later we hear the Seraphim say, "thy sin is purged." This of course was done upon his confessing that he was undone and his lips unclean. The carnal mind lurks deep down in the heart, and when

we really get a glimpse of the depraved nature, we like Isaiah feel like saying, "Woe is me." To get rid of the old man means death, but also brings life more abundantly.

We see the need more and more to preach firmly the necessity of sanctification preparatory to the incoming of the Holy Ghost. Sanctification goes a great way in establishing the child of God, and it is of great importance to see to it that the work is well done before people begin to tarry for the baptism with the Spirit. When the carnal mind is gone the taste for tobacco and snuff is gone (for that is his nourishment); we do not care for fun, nor care to repeat what others say about us; our trips to the store will last just long enough to buy what we went for, unless the Lord leads us to talk about spiritual things. The Spirit will also gently tell us that it is not pleasing to God to wear out our jaws on gum and especially when we go to the house of the Lord.

Then when the Holy Ghost comes in He teaches us to bridle our tongues. He gently tells us that he that refraineth his lips is wise, and especially he teaches us to bridle our tongues while the wicked are before us. Ps. 30:1 God's word tells us if we want to see good days to refrain our tongues. 1 Pet. 3:10. When we tread softly and are swift to hear God will certainly speak to us. And when he does, if we are the right kind of material it will still cause us to walk more softly before Him: and fear and reverence Him the more.

Amen.

Seneca, S. C.

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I am in the battle to fight until the victory is won. When we turn to God the devil does not like it and he goes right to work to try to get us back into the world. Thank God we can call upon Him and resist the devil and he will flee from us. "If God is for us, who can be against us?"

I had never heard the true gospel preached until I heard brother Underwood preach last year. I would go to the meeting with my aunt, who was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and at times I would leave the tent and go sit in the buggy or go to the well, and I would wear all my jewelry, but thank God I have

quit sinning now, although I did not get saved in that meeting; but at last my blessed Savior saved, sanctified and baptized me with the blessed Holy Ghost. Glory to God on high. Let us as saints of God rejoice evermore and pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Quench not the Spirit; despise not prophesyings; prove all things; hold fast that which is good; abstain from all appearance of evil.

Not for all earth's golden millions would I leave this precious place. Thanks be to God I am on the solid rock, a solid foundation, and in the Church of God at last.

Remember me in your prayers that I may always stand true to God.

Your sister under the blood,

Hessie Rochester.

Loudon, Tenn.

Brother A. J. Tomlinson:

I am praising God for salvation that keeps us each day above sin. I thank Him for sanctifying my soul and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I am so glad I ever found this highway of holiness.

I thank Him because He heals our bodies. Our baby was very sick and the people said if we didn't do something for him he would die and we did do something; we called in the saints and prayed until we gained the victory.

I want all the saints to pray for husband and me that we may be humble and do God's will.

Your sister in Christ,
Clara Yates.

Parkersburg, W. Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Saints:

I praise God for sending my brother, Rumler, to West Va. with the light and the pure gospel in its fullness. I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and I feel like going on.

I want the saints to pray for my husband that he will be saved and get the same blessing that I have and be ready when Jesus comes.

I ask the saints to pray for me that I may become stronger and more able to do God's will and be a bright, shining light to the world. Praise His holy name.

Love to all the saints.
Your sister in Christ,
Mrs. Elsie Mason.

Bessemer, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God for what He is to me, He is all in all.

Glory! He keeps me by His power. I am baptized with the Holy Ghost. When friends forsake and the persecutions come, glory to Jesus, He is by our side and takes it all upon Himself.

The people here will not have anything to do with the ones who believe in the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues.

They have done me as the Pharisees did the blind man in John 9:34 but glory, Jesus did not cast me out but opened my eyes that I might see the wonderful things of God. I am determined to do what soever my hands find to do for the salvation of precious souls and for the glory of God.

Let us be up and doing for the harvest truly is great and the laborers are few.

Let us pray the Lord of the harvest that He will send more laborers into His vineyard. Pray for me that I may be just what the Lord wants me to be.

Your sister under the blood,
Mrs. Velmer Edwards.

Blanche, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God for a full and free salvation, bless His holy name. I am glad I am in the way. I feel like going on. Praise His holy name for saving me from sin, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost, with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues.

I am trusting Him for both

soul and body, I don't take any medicine at all, for I am really trusting God. The way gets better every day. I have been in this way over two years and I have no desire whatever to turn back.

I belong to the Church of God. I came into the church when it was first set in order by Bro. McLain.

Pray for us. We are way behind but I am expecting God to work. It does not matter what people may say or think the Church of God is going to move on. We are praying that the gifts will be placed in the church here.

Your sister in Christ,
Ruth Chandler.

Falsome, Ga.

Brother Tomlinson:

My son Hulan has paralysis and we are trusting in the Lord for we believe in divine healing.

We want all the saints to pray for him, that he may be healed.

Joe Collier.

Mayhew, Miss.

Greetings in Jesus' dear name. I am fifteen years old. I am not a member of any church yet, but I hope to be some day. My father is a member of the Church of God. Our pastor is brother Z. D. Simpson. He is a fine preacher and he has done a great deal of good at this place. Pray for me that I may be a great worker for Jesus. Opal Turner.

Why Should We Be Sanctified?

J. M. Scarbrough

Jesus speaking of the converted people said, "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth." (John 17:19).

If Jesus is our pattern and we are His followers then we are to be sanctified, made holy because the Word says, "Be ye holy; for I am holy (1 Peter 1:16). Again the Word says "For this is the will of God, even your sanctification." (1 Thess. 4:3). Surely if He has willed it to us, we will accept it. Yes we will accept it for "we should be holy and without blame before him in love." (Eph 1:4). And to be without blame is to be spotless, pure and clean. We are to "cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." (2 Cor. 7:1). If we are cleaned up from all these filthy habits and have put on the new man, then we should next be

filled with the Holy Ghost.

We know that the word of God is true and He says, "I will pray the Father and He will send you another Comforter," which we find to be the Holy Ghost. We must be walking upright and obeying God if we expect to receive the Holy Ghost. The Word says, "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly."

It is surely wise it is the Bible plan to be filled with the Holy Ghost "For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off even as many as the Lord our God shall call." (Acts 2:29.)

After we have received the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4, it then behooves us to "watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." (Matt. 26:41). Now we surely can see it is needful that we "Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." (Eph. 6:11).

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

Rossville, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the Saints:

Since I began to get the dear Evangel and read all the sweet testimonies it makes me want to get closer to my blessed Jesus and be able to say something for Him.

Five years ago I first met with the people I had heard so much about and somehow they seemed peculiar to me and I did not much care about their company. But when I came to know them and saw they did I knew they had a treasure from worldly people hid, praise God, my heart began to hunger and thirst and burn within, I wanted full salvation, a freedom from all sin. As I read my Bible and prayed so earnestly the sweet word came to me, "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money: come ye, buy and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price." Isa. 55:1.

I'm so glad this living water is a fountain that never runs dry and is so free to all. I am praising this blessed Jesus for the love and great mercy He has bestowed upon me. I praise Him for the sweet way in which he has led me. I prayed more and read my Bible more in the few months that I was seeking the Holy Ghost than I did in all the years of my life before. I fully counted the cost and understood what I was to pay and when I became so humble and willing to give up all for Jesus He did so sweetly baptize me with the blessed Holy Ghost. Praise Him because He loved me so well as to shed His blood for me. I praise Him for leading me in the paths of righteousness. I praise Him for the desire he has put in my heart to follow Him regardless of what the world may say. As I meet with so many people and see how blinded they are to the truth, I want to get still closer to Jesus that I might be able to point them to this blessed Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. My heart goes out to dear Sister Crow; I can truly sympathize with her as I have had the same trials to go through; but keep looking to Jesus, He is the one that never can fail, praise His dear name. He is as willing to give you the Holy Ghost as He was to give Him to me. Just keep on knocking and it sure will be opened.

There is no friend like Jesus and He will always help us through the dark places and lead us on into the mar-

vellous light of His love. O, it is so sweet to be free in Jesus and understand His word for whom the Son sets free is free indeed.

I am going all the way with my Savior for I find no peace nor pleasure only in walking close to His side.

Pray for me that I may get still closer to Him and be a humble servant.

May God's richest blessing be upon you all.

Your sister,

Mrs. Pearl Brown.

Kingston, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:

I want to praise the Lord for He is everything to me and I am happy with Jesus alone.

I have not seen a person with full salvation since the first of December and I get awfully hungry to see some of the saints, but God is wonderfully good to me.

The people around here have all had lagrippe and my three smallest children took it. They had hot fever with it but where others would be in bed for days, my children only had it for a few hours. One night I got up with my little three-year-old girl and the Spirit began rebuking the fever and the power lifted me bodily several times and then I prayed for her and she was wonderfully healed and the Lord gave me such a blessing. I sang in tongues, danced and enjoyed myself. The Lord healed all of my children and then I began to take it and I went down on my knees and asked God to keep it off of me and the power fell on my body and I did not even take the fever with it. I do praise the Lord for a salvation that keeps me so long as I obey the word of God, and if I could not feel the power and speak in tongues I would think that I had backslidden. Hallelujah, I am going to shout the victory if I never get to go church again. I am going to live in the Church of God till Jesus comes even if I do have to fight devils. There are not devils enough to make me believe that the Church of God is not right. I know that this is right. I would stake my life on it.

I have seen Jesus with the blood streaming on His chest. I have seen the Lamb of God. I have seen the Church of God in her glorified state.

I am speaking in tongues now, help me shout and glorify God for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.

I have only written a part but I must not take any more room. I certainly appreciate

the paper more than I can tell.

Any one desiring to come here and hold a meeting will be welcome at my home or if you will let me know I will meet you at the depot.

Your sister in Christ,

Mrs. G. W. Lewis.

Kennesaw, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Saints Scattered Abroad:

Greeting in the precious name of Jesus—I want to sound a note of praise to my dear Savior, the One that has done so much for me. Nearly three years ago He really saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost, as in Acts 2:4, and gave me a deep determination to go all the way with Him and to go deeper in His love. My whole desire is to do the will of my Father which is in heaven. Praise His name.

I praise Him because He heals me when I get sick and He keeps me from day to day. I truly praise God that I ever laid aside the pleasure of this world and found it was more joy to serve Jesus than to go on in the foolishness and folly of this world.

I thank God for ever showing me the light on the Church of God and I praise Him that I am a member of the real Bible church. Glory to His name!

How sweet it is to walk with Jesus, He will never leave nor forsake us but will go with us all the way even unto the end if we obey Him and keep His commandments and do His precious will. I intend by God's help and grace to make heaven my home.

I enjoy reading the little paper. It is food to my soul. We live about five miles from a church and can't always go to meeting and it sure is good to get a sermon once a week and to read the testimonials of the saints.

Pray for me and pray that God will raise up a band at this place that will declare the whole truth. Praise God.

Your sister in Christ awaiting His coming.

Cifford Free.

Ft. Meade, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Dear Saints:

Greeting in Jesus' name—I want to write my testimony to the little "White Winged Messenger," that I enjoy reading so much because it is such a spiritual food to my soul.

I praise God for His wonderful love to me and mine. I praise Him for salvation through the precious blood that was shed on the cross

for me and for all that will come in through the Word.

I praise Him for sanctifying and giving me the blessed Holy Ghost that testifies of Himself in speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. Praise the dear Lord forever for the sweet assurance in my soul; just to know that I have been washed in the blood that makes whiter than snow. I feel so unworthy of the least of His great blessings. He has done so much for me. He is always a present help in every time of need.

I have been trusting Him for my body for about seventeen years and He always heals me when I comply with James 5:14. He healed when He was here on earth and changes not. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. Oh what a wonderful Savior is ours. His love is beyond anything we can imagine. Praise His name. My health has been much better since I began trusting in the Lord. I can't go back on my loving Jesus, He does so much for me. He helps me in my daily toils. Let us keep busy, dear saints, and do more for our blessed Lord and climb higher and reach out and get the blessings He has for us. We must keep humble and submissive and let our light shine that our Father may be glorified. Let us delight ourselves in the Lord and He will give us the desires of our hearts. I want to do my best so He will say "Well done thou good and faithful servant." Hallelujah!

Dear ones, let us be faithful and have our lamps trimmed and burning when Jesus comes that we may enter in through the pearly gates where we can shout and sing with our blessed Redeemer, our brothers and sisters and loved ones that have gone before. Oh, it is sweet to trust in Jesus and to do His will in all things. I wouldn't give this way for all this world for it is but "vanity and vexation of spirit," it soon passeth away and is gone, then the judgment.

My heart is burdened for lost souls! The dear Lord is telling them to come and take of the water of life freely, and he says, "come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Praise His dear name for that sweet rest that is for all that will accept it.

If they could see and realize what the dear Lord would do for them if they would only turn and live for Him.

I praise God for the light has given me and I am determined to walk in it. I am glad I have found the true church.

We have been praying for God to send us a good Holy Ghost minister to come here and preach the pure gospel. I am so hungry for a meeting and there are souls here who have never heard of this wonderful way. If some good workers would come with a tent or we could get a place, I am sure the Lord would bless for the harvest is white.

Your sister looking for the coming King,

S. A. Austin.

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